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Serial No.:	10/070,297	Art Unit:	1634
Filed:	March 5, 2002	Examiner:	Bradley L. Sisson
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Title:	METHODS UTILIZING DIFFERENTIAL SPLICING EVENTS IN BLOOD CELLS FOR THE DETECTION OF PATHOLOGICAL EVENTS		

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NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 41.31

Applicants respectfully appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated May 30, 2008, in which the Office finally rejected claims 27, 30-33, 44 and 47-53 of the above-captioned patent application.

Enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is a Petition to extend the period for replying to the final rejection for three months, to and including December 1, 2008, as November 30, 2008, fell on a Sunday.

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$270.00 for the fee required by 37 C.F.R.  
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